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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill repeals TEFRA parental fees.

TEFRA is an optional eligibility category under Medical Assistance (MA). Under this option, only the child's income is counted and parents pay a parental fee. In order to be eligible under the TEFRA option, an individual must:

- be under age 18;
- have a disability determination from the State Medical Review Team;
- require a level of home health care comparable to the care provided in a hospital, nursing facility, or ICF/DD;
- have MA home care costs that do not exceed the cost to MA of institutional care;
- live with at least one parent; and
- meet the MA income standard (the income limit is 100 percent of FPG and only the child's income is counted).

Section

- 1 General.** Amends § 13.46, subd. 2. Removes a reference to TEFRA parental fees under the welfare data privacy statute.
- 2 Relative responsibility.** Amends § 246.511. Makes a conforming cross-reference change related to TEFRA parental fees.

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- 3** **County of financial responsibility.** Amends § 252.27, subd. 1. Clarifies who has the responsibility to pay for the care of a child who has a developmental disability or a physical disability or emotional disturbance and is receiving services in a licensed facility.
- 4** **Contribution.** Amends § 252.27, subd. 2a. Removes language related to the sliding fee scale for parental contributions. Requires parents to contribute to the cost of services by maintaining health coverage for the child as required by the Affordable Care Act.
- 5** **Civil actions.** Amends § 252.27, subd. 3. Makes conforming changes.
- 6** **Disclosure to commissioner of human services.** Amends § 270B.14, subd. 1. Removes the commissioner of revenue's authority to provide certain income data to the commissioner of human services related to the TEFRA parental fees.
- 7** **Repealer.** Repeals § 252.27, subs. 2 (parental responsibility), 2b (child's responsibility), 4a (order of payment), 5 (determination; redetermination; notice), and 6 (appeals).